## III. In the Claims.

- 1. Please amend claim 6.
- 2. Please cancel claims 12-14 without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter.
- (Original) A belt comprising:

an elastomeric body;

a tensile member extending along the belt in a longitudinal direction;

the body having a rib extending in an endless direction; and a thermoplastic layer attached to the rib.

- 2. (Original) The belt as in claim 1, wherein the thermoplastic layer is selected from polyethylene, polypropylene, polyester, polyamide, polyvinylidene chloride or a combination of any two or more of the foregoing.
- 3. (Original) The belt as in claim 2, wherein the elastomeric body is selected from HNBR, EPDM, SBR, NBR, PU, CR or a combination of any two or more of the foregoing.
- 4. (Original) The belt as in claim 3, wherein the thermoplastic layer is applied to a rib edge.
- 5. (Original) The belt as in claim 4 further comprising a plurality of ribs.
- 6. (Amended) The belt as in claim 3, wherein the thermoplastic layer material is attached to a rib tip.
- 7. (Original) A belt comprising:

an elastomeric body;

a tensile member extending along the belt in a longitudinal direction;

the body having a rib extending in an endless direction; and a member attached to a rib edge.

- 8. (Original) The belt as in claim 7, wherein the member is selected from polyethylene, polypropylene, polyester, polyamide, polyvinylidene chloride or a combination of any two or more of the foregoing.
- 9. (Original) The belt as in claim 8, wherein the elastomeric body is selected from HNBR, EPDM, SBR, NBR, PU, CR or a combination of any two or more of the foregoing.
- 10. (Original) The belt as in claim 9 further comprising a plurality of ribs.
- 11. (Original) The belt as in claim 9 further comprising fibers.
- 12. (Cancelled) A belt comprising:
  an-elastomeric body;
- a-tensile member extending along the belt in a longitudinal direction;
- the body having teeth, the teeth oriented transverse to an endloss direction; and
  - a-thermoplastic layer attached to the teeth.
- 13. (Cancelled) The belt as in claim 12, wherein the thermoplastic layer is selected from polyethylene, polypropylene, polyester, polyamide, polyvinylidene chloride or a combination of any two or more of the foregoing.
- 14. (Cancelled) The belt as in claim 3, wherein the elastomeric body is selected from HNBR, EPDM, SBR, NBR, PU; CR or a combination of any two or more of the foregoing.